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Overview on Economic Impacts of the Credit Crisis

Conference Panel Montreal QC

Thursday May 28, 2009 – 1:45 pm to 3:00 pm

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Overview

The credit crises originating in the USA has put a squeeze on the demand for Canadian exports and real GDP growth in the Canadian economy, which is expected to slow to less than 1% in 2009.

Objective

Provide a spotlight on the capital markets around the world mid-way through 2009, and trace the impacts of the credit crises on the Canadian economy as a whole. It will also look at what companies need to do, and are doing, to weather the economic storm in 2009, and examine some important strategies for capitalizing on the renewed growth expected for 2010 onward.

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Our Presenters

- **Peter Gibson**, Vice Chair, Desjardins Group
- **Richard Kelly**, Senior Economist. TD Bank Financial Group
- **Sylvain Vincent**, Managing Partner, Ernst & Young LLP
- **William Hewitt**, Moderator & Chair FEI Canada Issues and Policy Advisory Committee & CFERF Trustee

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Sequential Approach

- Capital Markets Overview-Salient Factors
Peter Gibson
- Canadian Economy Observations-Room for Hope
Richard Kelly
- Macro Issues & Things to Remember
Sylvain Vincent
- Q & A

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House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance Submission on March 31, 2009

Recommendations:

- Increase availability of credit to business
- Enhance efficiency of capital markets – e.g. single securities regulator
- Rebuild confidence in economy

Survey revelations:

- Access to credit significantly tightened
- Credit costs have risen
- Process of securing credit has become more difficult